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REMARKS

Following the telephone conference of December 13, 200 with the Examiner, the Applicant believes that the subject application is now in a condition ready for allowance and respectfully requests prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowance. The Applicant believes that this paper is fully responsive to the objections and/or rejections made by the Examiner in the Office Action. However, should there remain any further impediments to the allowance of this application that might be resolved by a telephone conference, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative at the below-indicated telephone number.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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